

Issue Survey

Please take a minute to let me know what you think:

1. Please tell me your top concerns:

- ☐ Health Care
- ☐ Tax Relief
- ☐ Economy
- ☐ Education
- ☐ Energy Costs
- ☐ Immigration

2. Other concerns:

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Health Care Issue Survey



Congressman John Sullivan
Working for Oklahoma Seniors



Congressman Sullivan speaks at a recent press conference on mental health parity legislation.



Better Health Care at Lower Costs

I am committed to continued health care improvements for Oklahoma seniors. I am working in the House to improve existing coverage and protect seniors from policies that would threaten the continued success of the recently added Medicare prescription drug plan – Medicare Part D.

- ▶ Oklahoma seniors are saving an average of \$1,200 annually on their prescription drug costs.
- ▶ Over 38 million seniors nationwide now have Rx coverage through Medicare Part D.
- ▶ Competition increased by the Medicare Part D plan reduced seniors' average monthly premiums from \$37 to \$22 in 2006 alone.
- ▶ The Medicare prescription drug benefit's overall cost to the federal government will be at 15% lower than expected in 2007.

Social Security Benefits and Illegal Immigration

Social Security is an important issue for me, and I will continue to be against measures that would weaken the system. For instance, I support efforts to limit the potential fraud and abuse of Social Security by illegal aliens. Therefore, I am a cosponsor of H.R. 736, the No Social Security for Illegal Immigrants Act of 2007, which would prevent any work completed by an illegal alien to count toward eligibility for receipt of Social Security benefits. As your Representative, I will continue working to ensure these benefits only go to legal American citizens.

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Taking Health Concerns to Heart

The House of Representatives recently recognized American Heart Month by passing H. Con. Res 52. This resolution, which passed with my full support, recognized the goals and ideals of American Heart Month. In honor of American Heart Month, I am encouraging every American to take simple steps to reduce their risk for heart disease: exercise regularly; maintain a healthy weight; develop good eating habits; avoid tobacco products, drugs and excessive alcohol; and have regular medical checkups.

An estimated one in three American adults has heart disease. Oklahoma has the fifth highest rate of heart disease in the nation, and heart disease is the leading cause of death in our state. There are many major risk factors that people can control by changing their lifestyle or seeking medical treatment. I encourage all Oklahomans to talk with their families and their doctors about how they can live longer, heart-healthier lives.

Making Mental Health Parity a Reality

Over 54 million Americans suffer from mental health disorders, including almost 20% of our nation's seniors. In addition, almost one-fourth of Oklahoma's population is affected by a mental health disease, ranking Oklahoma as having the highest rate of mental health afflictions in the nation. These are biologically based disorders that need to be treated as such by insurance companies. As one of the lead sponsors of H.R. 1367, the Mental Health and Addiction and Equity Act of 2007, I am working in the House to help make mental health insurance coverage a reality.

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